

IN RECOGNITION OF THE OUTSTANDING STUDENTS FROM MORNINGSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

(Mr. VEASEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. VEASEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate eight outstanding students in southeast Fort Worth that attend Morningside Middle School in Fort Worth, Texas. Lexi Stanford, Tomas Altamirano, Alex Delgadillo, Carei Frank, Yontrell George, Jennifer Huynh, Adair Medina, and Paola Rios were all contenders in the Junior National Academic Championship.

This is the first time that students from the 33rd Congressional District's Morningside Middle School participated in the qualifying competition, nicknamed the "Whiz Quiz" competition and also the GE College Bowl, which has been a tradition in the Fort Worth Independent School District since 1978. This challenge of knowledge requires middle school and high school academic teams to accurately answer brain-stretching questions faster than their opponents.

On May 31, these eight students traveled to Washington to compete against other schools across the Nation in the larger Junior National Academic Championship. I would once again like to commend these students on a job well-done and encourage them to continue excelling in their academic pursuits.

REPUBLICAN SOLUTIONS FOR JOBS

(Mr. CHABOT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CHABOT. Madam Speaker, according to last week's jobs report, nearly 12 million Americans—12 million of our fellow citizens—are out of work. That's simply unacceptable.

The American people deserve better than a constant parade of job-destroying regulations coming out of Washington. They deserve better than a government that continues to spend us further into debt.

The American people deserve solutions that will create jobs today, and that's what the House Republican plan is all about. We have a plan to grow our economy and secure the future for all Americans, to expand opportunity, not government.

We want to rein in massive government spending and reform the Tax Code to make it simpler and fairer for all Americans. That's the House Republican plan. It's one of growth, prosperity, and unlimited opportunities for all Americans.

REPUBLICAN SOLUTIONS FOR JOBS

(Mr. HULTGREN asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HULTGREN. Madam Speaker, can you blame the American people for being dissatisfied with Washington? The most crucial issue facing our country is the need to create jobs and grow our economy, but what do the American people see? A government run amok.

House Republicans know how important it is to hold the government accountable to the people. After all, that's where power comes from in a democracy. And we know that we can't grow our economy with massive, bloated bureaucracy standing in the way.

House Republicans are committed to clearing out the underbrush, cutting waste, and fixing broken government. It's our constitutional duty to provide effective oversight of the executive branch, and that's just what we're going to do. That's how we secure a good future for all Americans.

REPUBLICAN SOLUTIONS FOR JOBS

(Mr. HENSARLING asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HENSARLING. Madam Speaker, regrettably for the American people, they see a nonrecovery recovery. Millions of our fellow citizens remain unemployed and underemployed. That's why House Republicans are working to make the Tax Code fairer, flatter, simpler, more competitive, so America can go back to work, but so far we're hearing silence from the White House. We want red tape reform. That is strangling small business people.

Madam Speaker, I heard one small business person in my district say, "It's just like the Federal Government doesn't want me to succeed." We need to unchain them. We need to cut the red tape and allow them to create jobs.

Finally, the Affordable Care Act is not affordable for our American citizens. It is not affordable to small businesses. It is harming job creation and costing trillions of dollars and potentially millions of jobs. Republicans want to repeal it.

This is an agenda to help create jobs for America when Americans need growth, hope, and opportunity.

STUDENT LOAN RATE HIKES

(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, on July 1 of this year, student loan interest rates are set to double.

This doesn't have to happen, though, and it won't if President Obama and Senate Democrats choose to work with House Republicans on a bipartisan solution.

Unlike the Senate, the House of Representatives successfully acted to stop the unnecessary rate double. The Presi-

dent and Senate should follow our bipartisan example and build off the Smarter Solutions for Students Act.

Despite the White House whiplash on this issue, our legislation is very similar to President Obama's own budget proposal. It will prevent rates from doubling, allowing students to benefit from low rates and protect low- and middle-income students.

The House acted in a way that satisfies the President's original criteria for a long-term, market-based plan. We welcome the Senate to get on board.

Preserving this problem just to be able to campaign on the issue year after year would be a true disservice to every student and taxpayer.

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ELECTING CERTAIN MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, by direction of the House Republican Conference, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 257

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby, elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY: Mr. Sanford.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY: Mr. Smith of Missouri.

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES: Mr. Smith of Missouri.

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY: Mr. Collins of New York.

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Mr. Sanford.

Ms. FOXX (during the reading). Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later today.

REVERSE MORTGAGE STABILIZATION ACT OF 2013

Mr. HENSARLING. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass